

This chapter is followed by two good chapters on lice and scabies infestations. The chapters on pelvic inflammatory disease and pelvic actinomycosis are new. Chlamydial pelvic infection seems to be less common, or possibly less often recognised, than in Britain. A new chapter on Reiter's syndrome has been included and gives a very clear description of the disease, although I would not agree with his

therapeutic recommendations. Another useful new chapter is the one on Behçet's syndrome. The other rarer conditions seen in venereology departments are described in a new chapter. He has also included one on prophylaxis, which gives a very interesting view of the problems of advertising condoms in the United States in the past.

This new edition is a more complete guide to sexually transmitted diseases and

the author should be pleased with the result of his labours, as many of the criticisms of the first edition no longer apply. The book's usefulness in Britain, however, is less certain. I still think it should be read by venereologists practising in Europe, as it gives them an insight into American clinical practice.

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Notice

New association of science editors

A new association of science editors was founded on 14 May. The European Association of Science Editors (EASE) is the result of a merger at their conference in Pau, France, between the former European Life Science Editors' Association (ELSE) and the European Association of Earth Science Editors (EDITERRA).

Besides continuing publication of *Earth*

& *Life Science Editing* every four months, the new association will expand its programme of regular conferences and workshops. The next workshop will be held in York on 4-5 November 1982; it is hoped to have a further workshop in 1983, and there will be a joint conference with the Council of Biology Editors at Trinity College, Cambridge, in September 1984. Membership is open to all editors and those working in the dissemination of scientific knowledge.

The first president of EASE is Dr Stephen Lock, Editor, *British Medical Journal*, and the vice-president, Professor Paul Fogelberg, of the University of Helsinki, who is editor of *Boreas*. Further information may be obtained from the secretary/treasurer, Miss Nancy Morris, PO Box 33, Farnham, Surrey, GU10 3JX, UK (Tel 0252 723945).